



HFS Newsletter

Term 4 Week 9 5th December 2022

Week 9 Events

THURSDAY
Swimming for Sport (Yr3-6)
(Cancelled)

Year 6
Graduation Mass
(HF Church)
6pm

FRIDAY
Carols in the Park 6.30pm

MONDAY
Intensive Swimming Yr2

Presentation Night (Hall)
6pm

Dear Parents and Carers,

It certainly is a busy time of the school term! A big thank you to our P & F for organising the final disco of the year at the Ex Services Club last Thursday night. Special mention to Sarah Harris who has been working hard for our P&F at the discos for many years. This was Sarah's final disco and she was presented with a gift of appreciation from our P&F.

We had a great turn out at the Christmas Parade with our students dressed up in some great Christmas outfits. Our children always represent our school with great pride at community events.

On Thursday evening our Year 6 students will officially graduate from Holy Family School at the Graduation Mass which will be held at Holy Family Church at 6.00pm. I would like to congratulate our Year 6 students on all their efforts during their years at Holy Family. We will all be very sorry to see them leave our school. All families are invited to attend the Mass.

Our school choir will be participating in Carols by Candlelight in Cooke Park on Sunday 11th December commencing at 6.30pm. Thank you to Mrs Berger for all her efforts in preparing our choir for this event.

A reminder that our Presentation Night will be held next Monday evening in our school hall commencing at 6.00pm sharp. Children are to attend wearing Christmas coloured clothing. This night celebrates the achievements of all staff and students during the year. We look forward to seeing all parents on this special night.

Denise Gersbach
Principal



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Star of the Week

Nelson Sutton is the Star of the Week for demonstrating our Core Values (In Praise, Love and Trust) and for always being a polite and caring student.

Interview with Nelson



Favourite subject	Mathematics
Favourite pastime	Playing on my Xbox
Favourite food	Mum's speciality (A dish with lots of vegetables)
What do you like most about our school?	Having free time after we finish our work.
What would you like to be when you grow up ?	A youtuber

Term 4 Week 9: Manner of the Week (From our Core Value - In Praise)

□ **Support others to achieve positive results**

I have two challenges for you this fortnight. You can attempt one or both and there will be two prizes. Enjoy the challenges with your family and friends.

This fortnight's challenges -

Add up to 20

Using any whole numbers as many times as you like make each line of the rectangle add up to 20.

14 3

4 9

Put the numbers
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7
in the circles so that each
straight line of three numbers
adds up to the same total.

If you solve the problems and there are multiple winning entries, your name will go into a draw. The winners will be drawn out of a hat and receive a prize at our School Assembly. Please write your name and answer on a piece of paper and hand it to me any time this week.

I hope everyone has a great week.

Andrew Berger

Assistant Principal

Religion

Religious Education

Second Week of Advent

What a beautiful **Kindergarten Liturgy**! All the children did their parts so well and they were so reverent. They all looked wonderful in their Nativity costumes.

The **Year 6 Retreat** was a great success. The children spent a day reflecting on their lives and appreciating God's many gifts to them. A big thank you to Mr. Chris Kupkee for presenting some words of wisdom and guidance; and organising some of the games and activities in our morning session. The Year 6 students participated very enthusiastically.

- ★ **Year 6 Graduation Mass** is on Thursday, 8th December, 6:00pm, at Holy Family Parish Church. Year 6 Children must wear their School Summer Uniform.



Parkes Carols in the Park

Where- Cooke Park *(If wet weather- Parkes Leagues Club)*

When- Sunday, 11 December from 6.30pm (Parkes Shire Band)

7.30pm Community/School Choirs Carols

Notes were sent home via the choir members with details regarding timings and dress.

Masses/Liturgies in Term 4.

Mass/Liturgy	Date & Time	Church/Chapel/Hall	Class
Year 6 Graduation Mass	Thursday, 8 December, 2022 6:00pm	HF Church	Stage 3

- *Further information regarding the Masses/Liturgies will be sent home closer to their dates.*

I hope everyone has a wonderful week!

Beverly Berger

Wiradjuri

Ochre

1 W and 2C learning about Ochre.



The children learnt the various uses behind ochre such as body painting, rock painting and mapping. This activity was interesting and everyone enjoyed the experience.

Notes



ELVIS IS BACK IN THE OVAL!

THE HFS OVAL WILL AGAIN HOST A CARAVAN SITE FOR ELVIS 2023!

2ND TO 9TH OF JANUARY 2023

100% OF PROCEEDS GO BACK TO OUR SCHOOL! CAN YOU HELP?

SITE SUPERVISORS (1 OR 2 EACH DAY)

TIME: 2PM -4PM (IF WE GET 2 PEOPLE, AN HOUR EACH)

WHAT: HELP GUESTS CHECK IN, DIRECT THEM TO THEIR SITE, FIELD QUESTIONS, ENJOY SOME SUNSHINE & FESTIVAL ACTION.

SITE INSPECTORS (1 EACH DAY)

TIME: 15 MINS AT 9AM & 15 MINS AT 5PM

WHAT: WALKTHROUGH OVAL SITE AND MAKE SURE THINGS ARE TIDY AND UNDER CONTROL, REPORT ANY MAJOR ISSUES.

BBQ BREKKIE HELPERS (1 OR 2 PEOPLE, FRIDAY ONLY)

DATE: FRIDAY 6TH OF JANUARY

TIME: 7AM TO 9AM

PLEASE VOLUNTEER VIA THE P&F F'BOOK PAGE OR DIRECTLY TO THE P&F PRESIDENT MIKE WOOD 0418 818 372.



Mini-Vinnies Christmas Appeal

! THANK YOU !



If You can donate Non-perishable or Christmas items it would make a difference for those in need.

- Tin goods
- Packed goods
- Poppers
- Packets of lollies or chips
- Christmas colouring in book

Remember if you decide to donate anything for those struggling this Christmas please drop off any items at the school front office by Wednesday week 10.

NOTICE

CHANGE OF DATE

YEAR 6 ASSEMBLY - WEDNESDAY 14TH DECEMBER - 2.00PM

WEEK 10 ASSEMBLY - THURSDAY 15TH DECEMBER - 12.30PM (CHANGE OF TIME ONLY)

Compass Wallet - Credit Cards

There are two options for removing cards in your Compass Wallet.

Option 1:

Parents are to log into Compass on a laptop. Please let school know if you require a passwords reset to do this.

When in the wallet, click on the card and to the right a pop-up window will appear and you can delete the card.

Option 2:

Parents notify the school if they need to add a new card and Admins impersonate the parent and remove the old card from the wallet to allow the new card to be linked.

Important reminder for Year 6 Parents if this is your last child leaving Holy Family

1. Stop automatic top-up, or you will have a credit remaining in your wallet at the end of the year.
2. Use all funds in Wallets

Parkes Homework Centre Centre

Monday 3pm to 5pm

17th October	24th October What is Wiradjuri Country?	31st October What did Wiradjuri do instead of school?	7th November Country University Centre
14th November What did Wiradjuri use for medicine/healthcare?	21st November How did the Wiradjuri people use the stars?	28th November Did Wiradjuri people grow food?	5th December Country University Centre
12th December Christmas theme:	School Holidays		

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRAL ON 68623757

Neighbourhood CENTRAL
People our Passion – Service our Strength
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HOLD YOUR CHILD'S HAND

As pedestrians, children can be easily distracted and are often too small to be seen by drivers. They may be unable to predict or identify dangers and tend to act impulsively.

Talk with your child about safe behaviour on the footpath – it's not a safe place to play as it is near the road and vehicles may be entering or exiting driveways.

Until your child is at least eight years old, hold their hand:

- on the footpath
- in the car park
- when crossing the road.

Up until at least 10 years old, supervise your child very closely, holding their hand when crossing the road.

If you can't be with your child, organise for another trusted adult to accompany them.

After school, meet your child at the school gate. At the end of the school day children may be excited, distracted or tired and often not concentrating on their own safety.

For more information on keeping our kids safe around schools visit the parents section on safetytown.com.au